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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This Supplemental Amendment is being filed in response to Examiner Wells' courtesy call of this afternoon in order to present a marked-up copy of claim 1 as amended in Applicants' Amendment of December 3, 2001. A clean copy of amended claim 1 is as follows:

- A freeze-dried composition comprising:
 - (a) a sustained release layer comprising:

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- (i) a water-soluble polymer; and
- (ii) a first pharmaceutically active agent; and
- (d) a fast release layer comprising:
 - a matrix forming agent; and
 - (ii) a second pharmaceutically active agent.

The marked-up copy of amended claim 1 is as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A <u>freeze-dried</u> composition comprising:
 - a sustained release layer comprising:
 - a water-soluble polymer; and
 - (ii) a first pharmaceutically active agent; and
 - a fast release layer comprising: (b)
 - (iii) a matrix forming agent; and
 - a second pharmaceutically active agent. (iv)

An early allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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